

PRESIDENT: Alright, Senator Simpson do you yield to a question?

SENATOR SIMPSON: Yield.

SENATOR KEYES: Senator Simpson you are coming into Douglas and Sarpy County coming from Lancaster County. Can you tell me who asked you to introduce this bill and why it was introduced?

SENATOR SIMPSON: I think that primarily that this was my own idea. I opposed the formation of eastern as a separate area from the very start and you can go back to the record and see my vote on it and so I felt from the very start that it didn't have a good chance and it would have a much better background and be able to have good financial support if we put it all together and still could use separate areas of campuses out and also within the city of Omaha.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Yes, Senator Simpson I want you to know one of two things. First of all when you say that this is non-controversial I can make it so controversial this morning that you wouldn't know which end was straight up. The second thing is that when you say that it is one district within a another you don't understand the districts because they are side by side. The main thing that you want to do is once more hold the funds back for the community colleges so that eastern Nebraska and Omaha do not get any funds and you can have them out in western Nebraska. That is my opinion. Go ahead with yours.

PRESIDENT: Senator Mahoney, stand by Senator Simpson.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. President, I would be glad to visit with Senator Keyes, this was agreed and I don't think that we had a chance to visit. I would be glad to visit with you on this. This is not what he is attempting to do. I had an amendment to a bill and his was the strongest to the bill that came out and it was agreed. Really there is no controversy to it. I will be glad to sit and visit with you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President, the two boards, or their presidents appeared before our budget committee and they concur on LB813 and there is really no problem, so we should advance the bill.

PRESIDENT: Alright, back to Senator Simpson, we have adopted the committee amendments. Is there further discussion of the bill? Senator Simpson do you have any closing?

SENATOR SIMPSON: No.

PRESIDENT: Question is shall LB813 be advanced from General File to E & R initial. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. Voting on the advancement of LB813. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President. Lets look LB925 Senator Whitney's bill.

CLERK: Read LB925